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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the February 21, 2006 Office Communication,  
Applicant requests reconsideration in light of the following amendments  
and remarks. A listing of the claims begins on page 2 of this paper. The  
Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.